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25X1 1. [redacted] three light phenomena happening
at intervals of about 15 minutes were seen almost every night [redacted] 25X1

25X1 [redacted] The phenomena were watched from the PW camp in Paldta
Aral, about 50 km southwest of Tashkent (41°18'N/69°15'E), Uzbek S.S.R., in
an east-southeasterly direction.

2. A dark red ball of fire was seen first; after about six seconds it reached the
apex of a long-drawn out trajectory. During this time the ball had developed
a trail of fire. Its color, which was bright red at the apex point, changed
in color from pale green to white. Smoke trails, noises, or detonations were
not noticed.

3. The distance of the trajectory from the point of observation was estimated at
60 to 80 km. * The trajectory ran approximately from southwest to northeast;
its length to the apex, which was from 5,000 to 12,000 meters high, was esti-
mated at about 80 km. At the apex the ball of fire seemed about one-fifth the
diameter of the full moon.

25X1 * [redacted] Comment. The measurements stated with respect to the trajectory must be
received with reserve. It must be considered that neither the discharge nor
the noise developed by the projectile were heard. For trajectory of phenomena,
see annex.

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1 Annex: One sketch showing trajectory.

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